9 FAM 42.64 PROCEDURAL NOTES

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9 FAM 42.64 PN1 NOTATION OF PASSPORT WAIVER ON IMMIGRANT VISA MACHINE READABLE VISA (MRV) FOIL

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So that carriers may determine whether an immigrant without a valid passport is properly documented, consular officers must insert an appropriate notation in the space provided for the passport number on *IV MRV foil*, if the passport requirement has been waived under <u>22 CFR 42.2</u>. For example, if the passport is waived in the case of an immigrant who is the spouse of a U.S. citizen, the notation should read:

"PASSPORT NOT REQUIRED UNDER 22 CFR 42.2(a)."

If a passport is not required under an individual waiver, the notation should contain a reference to 22 CFR 42.2(g) as well as to the date and number of the specific instruction from the Department. In such a case the notation on the visa should read:

"PASSPORT REQUIREMENT WAIVED UNDER <u>22 CFR 42.2(g)</u> BY ATTORNEY GENERAL AND SECRETARY OF STATE, TELEGRAM DATED

9 FAM 42.64 PN2 LIMITATION OF VISA VALIDITY TO MEET PASSPORT VALIDITY REQUIREMENT

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If an immigrant is required to present a valid passport, the consular officer should be sure to note whether the alien's passport is valid for at least 60 days beyond the period of validity of the visa, as required in 22 CFR 42.64(b). Officers may limit the validity of the visa to less than six months if the passport is valid for 60 days plus a period sufficient to enable the alien travel to the United States. If the alien is excepted from the 60-day validity

requirement under 22 CFR 42.64(b), officers may limit the validity of the visa to less than six months to coincide with the validity of the passport, provided the period of time will be sufficient for the alien to travel to the United States.